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SUBJ: GOVERNMENT BIDS TO BUY OUT NATIONAL FISHING FLEET

1. THE VENEZUELAN GOVERNMENT HAS INITIATED NEGOTIATIONS WITH FISHING BOAT OWNER FOR THE PURCHASE OF TRAWLER FLEET. THE ACTION WAS ORDERED BY PRESIDENT PEREZ AFTER OWNERS KEPT THEIR SHIPS TIED UP FOR THE LAST FIVE DAYS. IT IS REPORTED THAT THE VESSEL OWNERS ARE PROTESTING THE LIMIT PROHIBITING THE LARGEST VESSELS FROM FISHING WITHIN SIX MILES OF THE COAST. THE RESTRICTION WAS ESTABLISHED AS A CONSERVATION MEASURE.

2. FLEET OWNERS ARE SAID TO HAVE OFFERED THE GOVERNMENT THEIR VESSELS, DOCKS, WAREHOUSES AND RELATED FACILITIES FOR BS. 400 TO BS. 500 MILLION. PRESS COMMENT IDENTIFIES THE OWNERS LOCK OUT AS A BLUFF AND THE GOVERNMENT'S OFFER TO BUY THEM OUT AS A GAMBIT CALLING THE OWNERS BLUFF.
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